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TAGS: PFOR, IS, UN, FR, AF

SUBJECT: MOVE TO OUST ISRAEL FROM UN

REF: (A) STATE 176629 NOTAL; (B) STATE 175898 NOTAL;

(C) PARIS 19473 NOTAL

SUMMARY: THE FRENCH AND GERMANS INTEND TO RALLY THE EC-9 TO MAKE WIDESPREAD, INFORMAL EFFORTS TO PREVENT ISRAELI EXPULSION FROM THE UN. THEY OPPOSE FORMAL DEMARCHES NOW. THE QUAI BELIEVES IT IS TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING MORE AT KAMPALA. END SUMMARY

1. CHARGE MADE REPRESENTATION REQUESTED REF A TO QUAI POLITICAL DIRECTOR LABOULAYE JULY 28. LABOULAYE INDICATED THAT THE ISSUE HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH BY GISCARD AND SCHMIDT AT BONN LAST WEEK. THEY AGREED THAT THERE IS STILL SOME HESITATION ABOUT PUSHING ISRAELI EXPULSION AMONG THE ARABS. THE EGYPTIANS RECOGNIZE THE DANGERS BUT CANNOT BE SEEN TO BE LEADING A MOVE TO KEEP ISRAEL IN THE UN. THE SAUDIS ARE DIVIDED: SAUD APPEARS IN FAVOR OF FORCING THE ISSUE WHILE FAHD IS AGAINST. LABOULAYE SAID IN CONFIDENCE THAT THE FRENCH HAVE VERY RECENT INDICATIONS THAT EVEN THE SYRIANS ARE NOW HESITANT.

2. THE TWO PRESIDENTS AGREED THAT FORMAL DEMARCHES AT THIS TIME WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE, ACCORDING TO LABOULAYE. HOWEVER, THEY INTEND TO TRY TO RALLY THE EC-9 FOR QUIET PERSUASIVE ACTION. IN ARAB AND CERTAIN AFRICAN COUNTRIES, EC-9 EMBASSIES WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO ENGAGE IN WIDESPREAD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) UN ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL WOULD DESTROY ARAB
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RELATIONS WITH THE EC-9;
(B) IT WOULD LEAD TO THE DESTRUCTION OF THE UN AND THE PLATFORM IT GIVES THE ARABS SINCE PUBLIC OPINION WOULD FORCE GOVERNMENTS IN THE U.S. AND MANY WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (HE MENTIONED GERMANY AND HOLLAND) TO CEASE PAYING DUES AND TO DROP OTHER SUPPORT;
(C) CONFERENCES VITAL TO THE THIRD WORLD SUCH AS THE LOS CONFERENCE COULD NO LONGER BE HELD;

(D) MAKING A MARTYR OF ISRAEL WOULD RALLY WESTERN
PUBLIC OPINION TO THE BELEAGUED STATE AND DESTROY
THE FAVORABLE IMAGE WHICH ARABS HAVE CREATED OF LATE.

3. LABOULAYE EMPHASIZED THAT THE INSTRUCTIONS WOULD
RULE OUT FORMAL DEMARCHES. HE SAID ARABS REACT IMPET-
UOUSLY TO PRESSURE. MOREOVER, THEY WOULD BE LIKELY TO
DEMAND SOME COUNTERPART, PERHAPS, FOR EXAMPLE, REVISION
OF RES. 242 TO SET A FINAL DATE FOR ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL.

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4. SIMILAR MESSAGES INSTRUCTING EMBASSIES TO ENGAGE IN CONVERSATIONS OF THE SAME SORT WILL ALSO BE SENT TO EC-9 EMBASSIES IN NON-ALIGNED CAPITALS. HE SAID THE QUAI HAD ALREADY CALLED THE YUGOSLAVS IN AND THAT THEY TOO ARE CONCERNED AND PREPARED TO DO SOME LOBBYING OF THEIR OWN. THE EC-9 WOULD DISTRIBUTE THE PRIMARY ROLE TO THE COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES HAVING MOST INFLUENCE IN EACH NON-ALIGNED CAPITAL.

5. LABOULAYE WAS NOT SANGUINE ABOUT THE SUCCESS OF THESE EFFORTS BUT REPEATED HIS CONVICTION THAT THE INFORMAL APPROACH STANDS A BETTER CHANCE OF SUCCESS THAN WOULD FORMAL DEMARCHES. IT IS NECESSARY TO FIND SOMETHING BEYOND THE EXPECTED SINAI DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE ARABS THAT MOMENTUM WOULD BE KEPT UP, HE SAID. HE THOUGHT THAT THE ARABS WERE LOOKING FOR A WAY OUT OF THE MOVE TO OUST ISRAEL FROM THE UN AND SPECULATED THAT A PROMISE OF EARLY FURTHER ACTION ON THE GOLAN MIGHT GIVE THEM THE EXCUSE THEY SEEK. FINALLY, LABOULAYE SAID THAT IF HE WERE AN ISRAELI, HE WOULD HOPE TO BE EXPELLED.

6. ON REF B, QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA REMOVILLE TOLD EMBOFF LATE JULY 28 THAT THE FRENCH EMBASSY IN KAMPALA HAD NOT YET SENT THE TEXT OF THE OAU ANTI-ISRAEL RESOLUTION. EARLY EMBASSY REPORTING ON POSITIONS OF INDIVIDUAL AFRICAN DELEGATES INDICATED THAT ZAIRE, IVORY COAST, ETHIOPIA AND CONGO (B) HAD BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF A SERIOUS BLACK AFRICAN EFFORT TO HEAD OFF THE EXPULSION RESOLUTION. THE FRENCH THINK THE ARRIVAL OF ARAB BIG GUNS LIKE BOUMEDIENNE WILL INSURE PASSAGE OF THE SUSPENSION RESOLUTION AND THAT IT IS

NOW TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING FURTHER AT KAMPALA.

7. COMMENT: THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEANS APPEAR TO
BE MOVING MORE RAPIDLY THAN WE HAD THOUGHT TO TRY TO
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